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SUBJ: VISIT OF DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER GUULA SZEKER

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1. RE REFTTEL, FOLLOWING ARE OUR VIEWS ON CURRENT STATUS OF CULTURAL/SCIENTIFIC EXCHANGE NEGOTIATIONS AND OUR SUGGESTIONS REGARDING OTHER TOPICS WHICH MIGHT BE RAISED WITH DEPUTY FOREIGN MINISTER JANOS NAGY DURING HIS CALL MAY 5 ON COUNSELOR SONNENFELDT.

2. CULTURAL/SCIENTIFIC AGREEMENT.

A. USG IS PRESENTLY AWAITING HUNGARIAN REACTION TO LATEST US PROPOSALS ON RECONCILING TEST. (FYI: TIME IT TAKES HOH, PARTICULARLY KKI, TO DEVELOP RESPONSES TO OUR SUGGESTIONS IS AGONIZINGLY SLOW. THIS IS DUE TO KKI'S HIGH DEGREE OF BUREAUCRATIC INEFFICIENCY AND SNAIL-LIKE PACE AT WHICH DR. ROSTA WORKS. IT IS NOT, RPT NOT, DUE TO POLICY CONSIDERATIONS.) WE BELIEVE IT MIGHT BE USEFUL TO URGE NAGY TO TAKE WHATEVER STEPS HE BELIEVES WOULD BE EFFECTIVE IN INTEREST IN MOVING NEGOTIATIONS ALONG AT MUCH MORE RAPID PACE.

B. THREE OUTSTANDING ISSUES IN CULTURAL NEGOTIATIONS AR:

(1) CONTINUING GOH UNWILLINGNESS TO INCLUDE ANY REFERENCE TO ACCESS TO EMBASSY LIBRARY; (2) GOH INSISTENCE THAT SOME STRUCTURED

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IMPLEMENTING MECHANISM BE INCLUDED IN UMBRELLA AGREEMENT, EVEN IF

CALLING IT A JOINT COMMISSION IS UNACCEPTABLE TO US; AND (3)
DESIRE TO HAVE AGREEMENT LAST FIVE YEARS AND BE SELF-RENEWING.
IT MIGHT PROVE PROFITABLE TO RAISE THESE ISSUES WITH NAGY
AND TO GIVE HIM FULL EXPLANATION OF US POSITION AND REASONS
THEREFOR. KKI IS NOT, RPT NOT, A POLICY-MAKING BODY, MERELY
A TRANSMISSION BELT FOR DECISIONS FROM ON HIGH. MORE PERFECT
IS NAGY'S UNDERSTANDING OF USG POSITION, MORE LIKELIHOOD
THERE IS OF ANY ADJUSTMENT IN GOH POSITION.

3. SUGGESTIONS RE OTHER TOPICS:

A. DEPARTMENT MAY WISH TO EXPRESS ITS APPRECIATION FOR
GOH ACTION LIFTING INFORMATION RESTRICTIONS.

B. DEPARTMENT MAY WISH TO NOTE USG PLEASURE AT HUNGARIAN
READINESS TO SETTLE WW1 FLOUR DEBT; ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF
GOH APRIL 16 NOTE SEEKING CLARIFICATION: AND INDICATE USG REPLY
WILL BE FORTHCOMING IN VERY NEAR FUTURE.

C. IF CHARGE IS TO BE DESIGNATED TO NEGOTIATE SETTLEMENT
OF WW1 FLOUR DEBT ON BEHALF OF USG, DEPARTMENT MAY WISH TO SO
INFORM NAGY.

D. SQUABBLE OVER SURPLUS PROPERTY ACCOUNT STILL NOT SETTLED.
EMBASSY BUDAPEST HAS YET TO FIND GRACEFUL WAY TO SEND DUNNING
NOTE TO GOH, ESPECIALLY SINCE USG PREVIOUSLY HAS QUOTED DIFFERENT
AMOUNTS TO GOH. EMBASSY FINDS IT HARD TO BELIEVE THERE IS NO
WAY USG CAN WRITE OFF OR BURY \$13.74. WE CAN THINK OF NO
BETTER OCCASION TO INFORM HUNGARIANS THAT MATTER IS CLOSED
THAN DURING SZEKER VISIT, PERHAPS DURING CALL ON SECRETARY SIMON.
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